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OF 1974-1976 PROGRAM OF WORK, SEPTEMBER 26, 1973

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1. COUNCIL APPROVED 1974-1976 PROGRAM IN PRICIPLE,
WITHOUT COMMITMENT TO PROGRAM DETAILS OR LEVEL OF
BUDGETARY RESOURCES. US REP EMPHASIZED NEED TO
IDENTIFY ISSUES OF HIGH PRIORITY TO MEMBER COUNTRIES,
WITH IDENTIFIABLE NATIONAL FOLLOW UP.

2. MISSION NOTES THAT PROPOSED 1974 BUDGET IS NOW
1,979,659 F COMPARED WITH 1,534,982 F IN 1973, AND
1,149,532 F IN 1972. REAL RESOURCES INCREASE IN 1974
AMOUNTS TO APPROX 122,000 F, OR 10.6 PERCENT.

3. COUNCIL WILL BEGIN DETAILED DISCUSSION OF OECD
PROGRAMS OCTOBER 9-10 AT WHICH TIME US REP WILL NEED
EVALUATION OF OVERALL RRS PROGRAM (RESEARCH AND
DOCUMENTATION) AND BRIEF COMMENTS ON SPECIFIC ITEMS
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SCHEDULED FOR 1974 IMPLEMENTATION, PARTICULARLY ON

LEVEL OF US INTEREST.

4. MISSION ALSO NOTES THAT REIMBURSEMENT TO PART I OF BUDGET FOR OVERHEADS HAS INCREASED FROM 505,482 F TO 679,309 F, 1974/73 (ABOUT ONE THIRD OF TOTAL BUDGET). ACCORDING TO SECRETARIAT, THIS INCREASE IS ENTIRELY DUE TO INCREASED CHARGES FOR RRS PUBLICATIONS (NOW TOTALLING 237,589 F).

5. MISSION WOULD THEREFORE APPRECIATE DOT:FHA EVALUATION OF THE RRS REPORTS AND OF THEIR LIKELY IMPACT ON US RESEARCH.BROWN

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